

GOLF ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday, January 3rd, 2012 * 8:00 a.m.
City Hall Conference Room
4000 Main Street
Rowlett, TX 75089

PRESENT:

Larry Glick, Brad Marshall, Geoffrey Nichols, Vincent Leal, Barbara Holst, Eric

Hatch

ABSENT:

Ronnie Howell, Mark Garcia

STAFF:

Brian Funderburk, Assistant City Manager, Jermel Stevenson, Director of Parks and Recreation, Sebrena Smith, Sr. Administrative Assistant, Parks and Recreation, Dan Haag, Waterview General Manager

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m.
- 2. Barbara H. and Eric H. moved to regular voting members.
- 3. Geoffrey motioned to approve minutes with requested changes from December 6th, 2011. Brad M. seconded motion, 5-0 in favor.
- 4. Discussion on golf course conditions:
 - a. Eric played this past Sunday and it played great.
 - b. Barbara noticed on par 3 course that sections are being taken out on middle right of first hole. There are some on first. Dan H. stated there shouldn't be. This was a surprise because #3 is back in good shape again.
 - c. Larry suggested that each time we talk about the course conditions that Brian updates the board on drought conditions that may affect the golf course.
 - d. Brian stated that as early as April 2012 we could go to stage 4. The district is trying to get water from Dallas and also trying to move forward with 270 million dollar worth of projects that will allow us to use water from Lake Texoma in a way where the zebra mussels will not be a problem. Lake Ray Hubbard would have to drop another 5 feet before we would have to pull water from another source. Because of the severity of this issue we will have to talk about what will happen in regards to the golf course and if we were not be able to pull water from Lake Ray Hubbard.
- 5. Status of recommendations to City Council:
 - a. Brian shared that he tentatively has this scheduled for January 17th to get this back in front of council. If this board is available please attend this work session. When the agenda item is ready to go; Brian will send it in an email to the board.
- 6. Conditions and overall rating of courses played other than Waterview.

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- a. Eric played at Los Rios on Friday and we started about 40 min. late because all their carts were breaking down due to their batteries going dead.
- b. Dan H. stated he played Heritage Ranch three weeks ago. Their prices are about \$10 more. The course was dormant so it's hard to compare with Waterview. They are ridiculously fast. Everyone agreed they are very fast. Dan shared that this is a characteristic of Bermuda.
- 7. Larry showed the board a sample of the course yardage guide. Dan H. shared that we can put anything we want in this to promote it and we are looking for vendors. All businesses that want to advertise; we have final approval on. We can charge for these guides or give them away.
 - a. Barbara shared there is a lot of good will among golfers when you give the guides away because most places charge upward of \$7.00 for one.
 - b. Dan stated that we are in a 3-year contract and we initially get 10,000 guides; and we can get more if needed.
 - c. Dan commented that the company supplying these guides is reimbursed by those paying for the advertising. They should be out by April of this year
- 8. Signage on Waterview:
 - a. Larry asked Brian about the brown signs on PGBT.
 - b. Brian stated that he doesn't have any information on these signs; but will continue work on getting information concerning this. The holidays slowed everything down. With the drought problems this may be put to the back burner until we know more about what changes the drought will bring.
- 9. The Board discussed making recommendation to council at next meeting to ask for Liberty Grove to be repaired and repaved.
- 10. Methodology used on retainer wall at #11.
 - a. Brad stated that a quote of \$200,000 was previously given in using this methodology for #18. It's very cumbersome because of the length of # 18.
 - b. Larry asked Dan H. about the life of this wall. Dan H. stated 3 to 5 years. Dan shared that Craig Kniffen has the most influence on such a large capital project.
- 11. Larry shared that Fannin will supply gator bags within the next week. They also will be taking care of the warranty trees.
- 12. Discussion on orphan area adjacent to 10th tee tabled until future meeting.
- 13. Discussion of repairing broken sections of cart path.
 - a. Dan H. stated Craig Kniffen and himself will be taking a look at what needs to be repaired on the cart paths. To repair the holes it will probably take around \$150,000 to \$200,000. American Golf will take the bill on these repairs. The most critical areas of the path will be repaired first; probably with this project taking a couple of years to complete.



- 14. Public Announcement. Members of the Board and/or staff may make announcements of local civic events. No member of the board or commission may discuss nor take any action with regard to the announcements.
- 15. Members of the board may request topics for future agenda meetings. No member of the board or commission may discuss any of the requested subjects until such matter has been properly placed on a posted agenda.
 - a. Discuss and recommend Liberty Grove improvements.

16. Adjournment was at 8:55 am.

Larry Gliek, Chairman

ermel Stevenson, Director of Parks & Recreation